

## Wyoming Department of Education

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## MEMORANDUM NO. 2010-026

**TO:** School District Superintendents

**Special Education Directors** 

Title III Directors Institution Directors

Principals

**Building PAWS Coordinators** 

**FROM:** Charlene Turner, Director of Alternate Assessment

Standards and Assessment Unit

**DATE:** February 5, 2010

**SUBJECT:** 2010 Online PAWS Standard Accommodations Training

## IMPORTANT - TIME SENSITIVE INFORMATION

The administration of the Proficiency Assessments for Wyoming Students (PAWS) is to occur March 8 – April 8, 2010. Test Administrators and Access Assistants who will be administering standard accommodations to students with disabilities, students with 504 Plans or eligible English Language Learners are required to complete the **2010 Online PAWS Standard Accommodations Training**. The purpose of this training is to provide information about the documentation, selection and administration of standard accommodations and the use of Special Forms including Large Print, Braille, and Audio. The training is to be completed prior to the administration of the PAWS.

This required training will be available beginning Wednesday, **February 10**, **2010**, at the Wyoming Department of Education website (<a href="www.k12.wy.us">www.k12.wy.us</a>) under Wyoming Assessments, PAWS. It will also be available on PearsonAccess (<a href="www.pearson.access.com">www.pearson.access.com</a>) as a Resource under the Support Tab. Additionally, an updated 2010 PAWS Standard Accommodations FAQ will also be posted at both websites. Please ensure that this updated FAQ is made available to all persons who will be administering standard accommodations to eligible students.

Verification of completion of this training by Test Administrators and Access Assistants is to be provided to the building principal or the PAWS District or School District Superintendents Special Education Directors Title III Directors Institution Directors Principals Building PAWS Coordinators Memorandum No. 2010-026 February 5, 2010 Page 2

Building Coordinator using the 2010 Proficiency Assessments for Wyoming Students Test Administrators Verification Form found at <a href="www.k12.wy.us">www.k12.wy.us</a>, Wyoming Assessments, PAWS.

The **2010 Proficiency Assessments for Wyoming Students (PAWS) Test Administrator** Training, which is required for all PAWS Test Administrators and Proctors, will be available on **February 15, 2010,** at the Wyoming Department of Education website (<a href="www.k12.wy.us">www.k12.wy.us</a>) under Wyoming Assessment, PAWS. It will also be available on PearsonAccess (<a href="www.pearson.access.com">www.pearson.access.com</a>) as a Resource under the Support Tab.

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